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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 20 public bills, H.R. 3285–3304; and 1 resolution, H.J. Res. 175, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2024, to phase out the use of mercury in batteries and provide for the efficient and cost-effective collection and recycling or proper disposal of used nickel cadmium batteries, small sealed lead-acid batteries, and certain other batteries, amended (H. Rept. 104–530);

H.R. 1823, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District dated December 28, 1965, and November 26, 1985, amended (H. Rept. 104–531);

H. Res. 409, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2715) to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Paperwork Reduction Act, to minimize the burden of Federal paperwork demands upon small businesses, educational and nonprofit institutions, Federal contractors, State and local governments, and other persons through the sponsorship and use of alternative information technologies (H. Rept. 104–532);

H. Res. 410, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1675) to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to improve the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System (H. Rept. 104–533); and

H. Res. 411, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 175) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996 (H. Rept. 104–534).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Funderburk to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** House recessed at 1:25 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

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**Presidential Veto:** It was made in order that notwithstanding the order of the House of Monday, April 15, 1966, further consideration of the veto message on H.R. 1561, to consolidate the foreign af-

fairs agencies of the United States; to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; and to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997, be postponed until Tuesday, April 30, 1996.

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**Corrections Calendar:** On the call of the Corrections Calendar, the House passed H.R. 3049, to amend section 1505 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide for the continuity of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development. Agreed to amend the title; and

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H.R. 3055, to amend section 326 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to permit continued participation by Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools in the grant program authorized by that section

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**Balanced Budget:** Read a letter from Representative Hoyer wherein he resigns as a primary conferee on H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget.

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Subsequently, the Chair announced the appointment of Representative Stokes to fill the vacancy on the primary panel of conferees and reappointed Representative Stokes as a conferee for consideration of section 101(c) of the House bill and section 101(d) of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference.

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**Suspensions:** House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act:* H.R. 2024, amended, to phase out the use of mercury in batteries and provide for the efficient and cost-effective collection and recycling or proper disposal of used nickel cadmium batteries, small sealed lead-acid batteries, and certain other batteries;

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*Coastal Zone Management:* H.R. 1965, amended, to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Reauthorization Act of 1996 (Passed by a yea-and-nay vote of 407 yeas, Roll No. 127);

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*Cooperative Fisheries Management:* H.R. 2160, amended, to authorize appropriations to carry out the Interjurisdictional Fisheries Act of 1986 and the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act (Passed by a recorded vote of 406 ayes, Roll No. 128);

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*Oahu National Wildlife Refuge Complex:* H.R. 1772, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain interests in the Waihee Marsh for inclusion in the Oahu National Wildlife Refuge Complex;

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*Amagansett National Wildlife Refuge:* H.R. 1836, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire property in the town of East Hampton, Suffolk County, New York for inclusion in the Amagansett National Wildlife Refuge;

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*Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge:* H.R. 2660, amended, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated to the Department of the Interior for the Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge;

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*North Platte National Wildlife Refuge:* H.R. 2679, to revise the boundary of the North Platte National Wildlife Refuge; and

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*Prayer Rally:* H. Con. Res. 166, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Washington for Jesus 1996 prayer rally.

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**Presidential Message—Narcotics Traffickers:** Read a message from the President wherein he submits his report on the developments concerning the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Columbia—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–200).

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3698–99 and H3699. There were no quorum calls.

**Amendments Ordered Printed:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H3731.

**Adjournment:** Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the SBA, the Minority Business Development Agency, and the Economic Development Administration. Testimony was heard from Philip Lader, Adminis-

trator, SBA; and the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Phillip A. Singerman, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Economic Development Administration; and Joan Parrott-Fonseca, Director, Minority Business Development Agency.

### INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Smithsonian Institution and on the Fish and Wildlife Service. Testimony was heard from I. Michael Heyman, The Secretary, Smithsonian Institution; and the following officials of the Department of the Interior: George T. Frampton, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks; and John Rogers, Assistant Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

### LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases, the National Center for Human Genome Research, the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders and the Office of AIDS Research. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Phillip E. Gordon, M.D., Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Francis S. Collins, M.D., Director, National Center for Human Genome Research; James B. Snow, Jr., M.D., Director, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; and William E. Paul, M.D., Director, Office of AIDS Research, NIH.

### NATIONAL SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security met in executive session to hold a hearing on the National Guard and Reserve Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. Edward D. Baca, USA, Chief, National Guard Bureau; Maj. Gen. William A. Navas, Jr., USA, Director, Army National Guard; Maj. Gen. Donald W. Shepperd, USAF, Director, Air National Guard; Maj. Gen. Max Baratz, USA, Chief, Army Reserve; RAdm. Thomas F. Hall, USN, Director Naval Reserve; Brig. Gen. Ronald G. Richard, USMC, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Manpower and Reserve Affairs; and Maj. Gen. Robert A. McIntosh, USAF, Chief, Air Force Reserve.